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Chairman Hatch-Miller  
Commissioner Gleason  
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Dear Colleagues:

My office has been in contact with the city manager of Willcox, Mike Leighton, regarding the city's concerns with Union Pacific Railroad's plan to lay an additional track through Willcox. I have attached Mr. Leighton's memo describing the situation. The City has concerns about the placement of the new line, as well as the obstruction of traffic caused by trains using the existing track through Willcox. The amount of time where both crossings are blocked raises public safety issues and warrants thorough consideration for at least one grade separated crossing.

I believe it is appropriate that we conduct a public comment meeting in Willcox to hear firsthand from the city and its occupants their concerns about the proposed new rail line and possible solutions to the problems arising from both the new and the existing line. If at all possible I would appreciate it if a representative from Union Pacific could also attend. I think it would be very instructive to hear from the railroad as well as the city. It is my goal that both parties come to a fair, reasonable solution.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

William A. Mundell, Commissioner  
Arizona Corporation Commission

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